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Abstract

Theoretical and experimental results of investigations conducted to determine the effects of residual stresses on fatigue damage accumulation and fatigue life under both constant amplitude and randomized exponential stress distributions, of 7075-T6 circumferentially notched rotating bending specimens are presented. The variation of the strength reduction factor as a function of prestress and load spectrum is examined. An approximate analysis of the elastic-plastic stress distribution at the minimum cross section is suggested on the basis of which fatigue behavior can be predicted. The results indicate that the linear (Miner) cumulative damage rule quite generally overestimates fatigue lives except in the alternating plasticity range and that the endurance limit is considerably reduced as a result of stress interaction, provided that in the application of the linear damage rule the S-N-diagram for the prestressed specimen is used. In the range of alternating plasticity at the root of the notch  $10^3 < N < 10^4$  the linear rule consistently underestimates the fatigue life.

This technical documentary report has been reviewed and is approved.



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### List of Symbols

<b>A</b>	constant of $S - V_s$ relation
<b>a</b>	radius of minimum cross section
<b>B, B'</b>	constants of Neuber's equations
<b>C, C'</b>	" " "
<b>D, D'</b>	" " "
<b>E'</b>	" " "
<b>e</b>	base of natural logarithms
<b>h</b>	parameter of exponential load distribution
<b>i</b>	$i^{\text{th}}$ stress level
<b>J'₂</b>	second invariant of stress deviator
<b>K<sub>f</sub></b>	strength reduction factor under constant amplitude load
<b>K<sub>fR</sub></b>	strength reduction factor under randomized loads
<b>K<sub>t</sub></b>	theoretical elastic stress concentration factor
<b>k, k<sub>o</sub></b>	parameters in Neuber's equations
<b>L, L<sub>∞</sub></b>	probability of survival, probability of infinite life
<b>M</b>	bending moment
<b>m</b>	stress reduction ratio
<b>N</b>	fatigue life in general
<b>N<sub>s</sub>, N<sub>R</sub>'</b>	fatigue life under constant and variable amplitude stress
<b>N<sub>o</sub></b>	minimum fatigue life at $L = 1$
<b>P</b>	direct load
<b>p(s*)</b>	probability density function for stresses
<b>p<sub>i</sub></b>	frequency of occurrence of $i^{\text{th}}$ stress level
<b>r</b>	radial coordinate
<b>S, S<sub>i</sub></b>	nominal bending stress amplitude for notched specimens
<b>S*, S<sub>i</sub>*</b>	nominal bending stress amplitude for smooth specimens

List of Symbols (Cont'd.)

$s_e$	constant amplitude endurance limit
$s'_e$	reduced endurance limit due to stress interaction
$s_p$	nominal prestress
$s_r, s_\theta, s_z$	radial, tangential, and longitudinal components of stress
$s_l, s_m$	lowest and highest stress level in spectrum
$s_y$	yield strength of smooth specimens
$s, s_i, s^*, s_i^*, s_e, s'_e, s_p, s_i, s_m$	stress ratios; nominal stress divided by ultimate tensile strength, $\sigma_u$ , of smooth specimens
$v$	characteristic fatigue life in general, at probability level $L = 1/e$
$v_m$	characteristic constant amplitude fatigue life at maximum stress level in spectrum
$v_R, v'_R$	linear estimate and observed fatigue life at probability level $L = 1/e$
$v_{si}, v'_{si}$	real and fictitious constant amplitude fatigue life at $i$ th stress level and $L = 1/e$
$z$	longitudinal coordinate
$\alpha, \alpha_s, \alpha_R$	constants of probability of survival function in general, for constant, and for variable stress amplitude
$\Delta s^*, \Delta s$	stress ratio difference for smooth and notched specimens
$v$	constant of $S - v_s$ relation
$\nu$	Poisson's ratio
$\pi$	= 3.14159
$\rho$	radius of curvature at root of notch
$\sigma_u$	ultimate tensile strength of smooth specimens

List of Symbols (Cont'd.)

$\theta$	tangential coordinate
$\tau_o$	octahedral shear stress
$\tau_{oa}$ , $\tau_{om}$	alternating and mean octahedral shear stress
$\bar{\omega}$	average stress interaction factor; reciprocal of cumulative cycle ratio

## 1. Introduction

An extensive study of fatigue damage accumulation under variable-amplitude load cycles derived from exponential distributions of load amplitudes of different severity has conclusively shown<sup>1</sup> that, for unnotched small metal specimens in rotating bending, fatigue damage accumulation at low and medium stress amplitudes is considerably accelerated by a very small number of interspersed high stress-amplitudes, so that the application of the widely used linear damage accumulation rule leads to an overestimate of the variable-amplitude fatigue life of the specimen. The relevance of these conclusions for the design of structural parts and connections of airframes and other structures has been questioned on the basis of the facts that (a) the specimens are small and loaded in rotating bending; (b) neither notch effects nor the effect of residual stresses, both characteristic of the conditions of use of the material in a structure have been considered.

Both objections are obviously valid, but the problem of extrapolations of fatigue test results obtained under conditions (a) to fatigue behavior of structural members and connections is one that is still waiting for an adequate solution considering the fact that only small-specimen tests can be performed with sufficient replication to yield statistically significant results. On the other hand, the effect of notches and residual stress can be studied on small specimens and their fatigue behavior compared to that of unnotched specimens free of residual stresses. While there is no assurance

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that the quantitative differences found in such comparisons are in any way representative of the differences arising in full scale structures, it is not unreasonable to assume that the trend of the results in small-scale specimens will be similar to that expected in large structural parts.

An investigation has therefore been undertaken to evaluate the effect of notches as well as the effect of residual stresses, produced in the notched section by axial (compressive or tensile) prestrain, on the fatigue life of specimens subjected to a randomized sequence of rotating bending stress amplitudes arising from an exponential distribution. In particular, it seemed desirable to study the relation between an induced compressive residual stress and the severity of the test-spectrum in its effect on the random fatigue life in order to test the hypothesis that only a prestress in excess of or at least equal to the highest stress amplitude of the applied spectrum will have a stable effect on the fatigue life while a prestress of the order of magnitude of the mean or median amplitude of the spectrum may have only a transient effect, if any. The importance of the study of this effect derives from the increasing application of compressive residual stresses as a procedure of reducing the fatigue sensitivity of structural parts or increasing their fatigue life.

## 2. Notch Geometry and Elastic Stress Distribution

The investigation was carried out on 7075-T6 aluminum alloy, with material properties shown in Table 1, and conducted on specially built random fatigue machines. Because of the capacity of the testing equipment and the requirement of accurate machining the following notch geometry was adopted: 3/8 inch diameter extruded rods were machined to

5/16 inch with a 30° "v" notch having a root radius,  $\rho = 0.01$  in. and a minimum diameter,  $2a = 3/16$  in. as shown in Fig. 1. The notches were turned on a high speed lathe and were not polished.

The theoretical elastic stress distribution at the smallest cross section was determined using expressions developed by Neuber<sup>2</sup> for a deep hyperbolic notch (Fig. 2), which give reasonable approximations for the chosen geometry.

The general equations have been simplified to yield the distribution of the three principal stress components at the smallest cross section of the specimen for both direct stress and bending.

It is to be noted that the general equation for the tangential component as given by Neuber for the case of simple tension is in error. Equation V.50., in his book, from which the tangential stress concentration factor, Eq. V.60., is to be derived, will not yield that result and is dimensionally incorrect. Because the derivation of the correct expression, for the most general case, is a prodigious task, improved and simplified terms were derived only for the stress components at the smallest cross section.

For tension or compression with a nominal direct stress  $s_p = \frac{P}{\pi a^2}$ , where  $P$  is the applied force and  $a$  the minimum radius

$$s_z = \frac{1}{k} [B + 2C(\bar{v} - 1)] + \frac{1}{k^3} (B - A) \quad (2-1)$$

$$s_r = -\frac{1}{k} \left[ \frac{A}{1+k} + 2C \bar{v} \right] - \frac{1}{k^3} (B - A) \quad (2-2)$$

$$s_{\theta} = \frac{1}{k} \left[ \frac{A}{1+k} - B - 2C \bar{v} \right] \quad (2-3)$$

with the constants

$$C = - \frac{s_p}{2} \frac{1+k_o}{1+2\bar{v}k_o+k_o^2} \quad (2-4)$$

$$A = (1-2\bar{v})(1+k_o)C \quad (2-5)$$

$$B = A - CK_o^2 \quad (2-6)$$

where  $s_z$ ,  $s_r$  and  $s_{\theta}$  are the longitudinal, radial and tangential components of stress at the smallest cross section,  $\bar{v}$  is Poisson's ratio,  $k_o = 1/\sqrt{a/\rho + 1}$ ,  $k = \sqrt{1 - (r^2/a^2)(1-k_o^2)}$ ,  $\rho$  the radius of curvature at the root of the notch, and  $r$  the radial coordinate.

For bending with a nominal bending stress  $s = \frac{4M}{\pi a^3}$  where  $M$  is the bending moment

$$s_z = \frac{\sqrt{1-k^2}}{k} \left[ -2C' + (3-2\bar{v})D' + \frac{1}{k^2} \left( A' + \frac{2}{3} B' + D' \right) \right] \quad (2-7)$$

$$s_r = \frac{\sqrt{1-k^2}}{k} \left[ \frac{A'}{(1+k)^2} + \frac{2}{3} B' - 2C' + 2D' \bar{v} - \frac{1}{k^2} \left( A' + \frac{2}{3} B' + D' \right) \right] \quad (2-8)$$

$$s_{\theta} = \frac{\sqrt{1-k^2}}{k} \left[ \frac{-A'}{(1+k)^2} - \frac{2}{3} B' - 4C' \bar{v} + (2\bar{v}-1)D' \right] \quad (2-9)$$

with constants

$$A' = -\frac{4D'}{E'} (-1 + 3\bar{v} - 2\bar{v}^2)(1 + k_o)^2 \quad (2-10)$$

$$B' = (C' + D')(1 - 2\bar{v}) \quad (2-11)$$

$$C' = \frac{2D'}{E'} [-3(1-\bar{v}) + (-1+2\bar{v})k_o + (1+\bar{v})k_o^2] \quad (2-12)$$

$$E' = 4k_o [(-1 + 2\bar{v}) + (1 + \bar{v})k_o] \quad (2-13)$$

$$\frac{D'}{E'} = \frac{3M}{8\pi(1-k_o)^2(1-\bar{v})[3+k_o(1+\bar{v})(4+k_o^2)+(1+4\bar{v})k_o^2]} \quad (2-14)$$

Equations (2-1) to (2-14) were evaluated numerically for the particular geometry used and the three components of stress were plotted in Figs. 3 and 4 for direct stress and bending respectively. In addition to the principal stresses the second invariant of the stress deviator

$$J_2' = \frac{1}{6} \left[ (s_z - s_\theta)^2 + (s_\theta - s_r)^2 + (s_r - s_z)^2 \right] \quad (2-15)$$

and the octahedral shear stress

$$\tau_o = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3} J_2'} \quad (2-16)$$

were calculated and  $\tau_o$  was also plotted on Figs. 3 and 4. The elastic stress concentration factors  $K_t$  based on the peak principle stress can be obtained from Figs. 3 and 4 for direct stress:  $K_t = 3.23$ ; for bending:  $K_t = 2.55$ . While the stress concentration factors based on the octahedral shear stress are for direct stress:  $K_t = 1.34$ ; for bending:  $K_t = 1.06$ .

### 3. Residual Stress Distribution

When a notched specimen is strained so as to yield at the root of the notch a self-equilibrating residual stress field is established on unloading. A rigorous analytical solution of the elastic-plastic stress distribution in a tri-axial state of stress has so far not been found, but various approximate solutions have been proposed in the literature. Thus Neuber<sup>3</sup> has developed a method for the calculation of post yield stresses based on a nonlinear stress-strain law. A complete solution is, however, available only for a state of pure shear. In a recent publication<sup>4</sup>, the same procedures are applied for tension in a biaxial state of stress such as a flat notched specimen.

Uzhik<sup>5</sup> has shown that an approximate solution for the distribution of the largest principal stress in a notched specimen can be obtained based on either the St. Venant or the Von Mises yield condition. According to that approximation the largest principal stress at the boundary of the elastic and elastic-plastic zones should have a value

$$s_{z_p} = \frac{s_z s_y}{s_z - s_r}$$

where  $s_z$  and  $s_r$  are the values of the elastic stresses at the boundary when plastic deformation is initiated at the root of the notch. The determination of the boundary as well as the distribution of stresses is, however, not clearly explained.

A number of experimental investigations<sup>6,7,8</sup> have been conducted on flat notched specimens in which the measurements of stresses and strains are comparatively easy, but no experimental measurements of residual stresses in circumferentially notched bars are presently available.

A combination of analytical and graphical methods will be used in this investigation in the following manner.

Yielding will be expressed in terms of the octahedral shear stress. According to the Mises condition,

$$J_2' = \frac{1}{3} S_y^2 \quad \text{or} \quad \tau_o^2 = \frac{2}{9} S_y^2 \quad \text{since} \quad \tau_o = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3} J_2'} \quad (3-1)$$

where  $S_y$  is the yield strength of the plane material in simple tension. For 7075 aluminum this is 92.5 per cent of the ultimate tensile strength,  $\sigma_u = 82,000 \text{ psi}^9$ . Consequently, when  $\tau_o = .436\sigma_u$ , yielding must be expected to occur.

The use of Eq. (3-1) implies that the material is not work hardening, an assumption that does not seem unreasonable because of the high yield strength of the material.

Derived from Neuber's<sup>3</sup> elastic stress distributions the octahedral shear stress,  $\tau_o$ , is plotted in Fig. 5a. Where the yield condition, Eq. (3-1), is satisfied the stress intensity cannot increase further; however, to satisfy conditions of equilibrium, the stress in the elastic portions of the cross section must increase and the area added to the stress distribution curve should therefore be equal to that eliminated above the yield condition. If the elastic-plastic section is then unloaded by subtracting the elastic stress distribution associated with the same force, from the elastic-plastic one, the obtained residual stress pattern will be a reasonable approximation to the real residual stress field.

Should yielding occur on unloading a second area readjustment becomes necessary to obtain the residual stress distribution.

Two basic assumptions are made in the above analysis: First, octahedral shear stresses at a point can be numerically superimposed; that is, their directions are assumed not to change during loading and unloading. Second, that the shape of the elastic portion of the elastic-plastic distribution remains similar to the original elastic one.

To permit a simple discussion of the results in terms of stress it will be assumed that the initial loading will produce positive and unloading a negative octahedral shear stress.

#### 4. Alternating Bending Superimposed on Residual Stress

Once the residual stress distribution has been determined for a particular pre-strain level, the superposition of a bending cycle can easily be accomplished in a manner similar to that described above.

If the pre-strain was tensile resulting in a compressive residual stress field ("negative" octahedral shear stress) the compressive half of the alternating bending cycle will be considered first. If the elastic octahedral shear stress of the bending cycle shown in Fig. 4 is subtracted from the octahedral residual stress, it will invariably cause yielding. Hence the elastic-plastic correction must be applied again as described in Sec. 3. Subsequently, the bending stress is removed and finally reversed with the addition of twice the elastic octahedral bending stress distribution, correcting again for yielding and plastic deformation. The process may

have to be repeated until a steady-state condition is achieved. For a compressive pre-strain, the process is simply inverted.

Figures 5b and 6 show the final bending stress distributions for various pre-strain and alternating bending stress levels.

The initial stress distribution will not remain unchanged once a crack has formed at the root of the notch; stress redistribution has been observed by a number of investigators on flat specimens<sup>5,8</sup> but the examination of initial conditions will allow a general determination of behavior under cyclic loading.

The following conclusion can be based on the above analysis: No residual stress will result from a pre-stress ratio  $s_p < \pm .32$ , stress-ratio being defined as the nominal stress,  $s_p$ , divided by the ultimate tensile strength,  $\sigma_u$ , of the smooth material, while  $s_p > \pm .65$  will produce yielding both on loading and unloading as shown in Figs. 5 and 6.

If the pre-stress ratio  $s_p > \pm .50$  a superimposed alternating stress of  $s_p < .21$  will produce no stress reversal and consequently pulsating tension or pulsating compression fatigue will take place depending on the sign of the residual stress at the root of the notch. If this stress is positive, that is tensile, long fatigue lives will be achieved only for very low levels of alternating stress, while if it is negative or compressive no fatigue will result and lives will be infinitely long (Fig. 6c).

For bending stress ratios  $.21 < s < .41$  various amounts of stress reversal, with non-zero mean stress, will be observed at the root (6a, b, d).

When  $s$  is increased above .41 yielding will take place both in tension and compression in every cycle and stresses at the base of the notch will alternate with zero mean (Fig. 5b, 6e, f, g); fatigue is replaced by alternating plasticity.

With a tensile residual stress field fatigue lives will be shortened as soon as stress reversal takes place while for alternating plasticity, lives will be extremely short.

Bending superimposed on a compressive residual stress will produce an interesting effect. For low and intermediate bending stresses, though stress reversal will cause tension at the root of the notch, a predominantly compressive field will be maintained immediately below the surface as is evident from an examination of Figs. 6a, d and f. Crack propagation will be arrested by this compression and long fatigue lives can be expected. With increasing bending stresses the compressive stress field diminishes and fatigue is replaced by alternating plasticity with short lives. The amount of bending that will still produce subsurface compression depends on the depth of the residual stress field, which in turn is a function of the applied pre-stress. Similar stress patterns were observed experimentally by others on flat notched specimens, though the compressive stress field was not apparent probably because of low pre-stress levels.<sup>10</sup>

The fatigue behavior of pre-stressed circumferentially notched specimens in bending is summarized in Table 2.

##### 5. Constant Amplitude Fatigue Tests

7075 Aluminum specimens were prepared with circumferential notches as shown in Fig. 1. They were pre-stressed in compression or tension to various pre-stress levels,  $s_p$ ,

varying between  $-1\sigma_u$  and  $+1.45\sigma_u$  to induce tensile and compressive residual stresses respectively. Rotating bending fatigue tests were subsequently performed on these specimens using "Krouse" constant amplitude machines for the determination of complete S-N-L relationships at various values of  $s_p$ .

Ten specimens were tested at each combination of bending stress and pre-stress level, providing a total of about 300 constant amplitude results. At the highest bending stress levels only three tests were performed in each case because of the very narrow spread of short fatigue lives. The results shown in Table 3 were statistically analyzed using the three-parametric distribution of extreme values,<sup>11</sup> and were plotted on extreme value probability paper in Figs. 7a and 7b.

The three parameters:  $N_o$ , the minimum life,  $v$  the characteristic life at the probability level  $L = 1/e$ , and the slope  $\alpha$  of the probability function

$$L = \exp \left[ - \frac{N - N_o}{v - N_o} \right]^\alpha \quad (5-1)$$

for the case of constant amplitude stress designated as  $N_o$ ,  $v_s$  and  $\alpha_s$  are also given in Table 3.

The characteristic values were plotted as conventional  $S-v_s$  diagrams in Fig. 8 which in addition contains a similar curve for smooth specimens for purposes of comparison.<sup>9</sup>

The equations of the  $S-v_s$  relations may be expressed as

$$v_s = A(s - s_e)^{-v} \quad (5-2)$$

where  $A$  and  $v$  are constants,  $s$  is the bending stress amplitude ratio, and  $s_e$  the conventional endurance limit ratio. The values of the constants for all curves are presented in Table 4.

An examination of Fig. 8 will show that the conclusions reached in Sec. 4 and summarized in Table 2 are valid.

Table 2 suggests also that, at the root of the notch, the effects of a residual stress field are similar to those of an applied mean stress. A modified Goodman diagram can therefore be drawn to indicate possible combinations of mean and alternating stress to produce constant values of life. Such diagrams have been constructed for  $V_s = 10^8, 10^5$  and  $10^4$  cycles and are presented in Fig. 9. Similar curves were obtained by Sigwart<sup>12</sup> for direct stress fatigue.

The central sloping portions of each curve indicate that the material is elastic, while when one of the horizontal limits is reached yielding takes place. Two values of alternating stress may be associated with each value of compressive mean stress: one for the elastic range and another for the case of pulsating and alternating plasticity. The increase in fatigue strength with compressive residual stress is quite apparent.

The beneficial or detrimental effects of residual stress may best be illustrated by plotting the ratio of fatigue lives of pre-stressed and not-pre-stressed specimens versus the pre-stress level for various constant amplitude bending stress levels as shown in Fig. 10. While the increase in life as a result of compressive residual stresses is quite significant, the reduction due to tensile residual stress is not very prominent. The variation of the endurance limit as a function of prestress is shown in Fig. 11.

### The Strength Reduction Factor

The fatigue strength of specimens and structural components having high stress concentrations is, in general, considerably lower than that of smooth specimens. The strength reduction factor,  $K_f$ , defined as the strength ratio of smooth and notched specimens at the same constant amplitude fatigue life, is usually greater than unity. With a superimposed residual stress field the apparent strength reduction factor may, however, have a value less than one signifying an increase in strength rather than a reduction.

The strength reduction factor has been plotted in Fig. 12. The diagram shows that  $K_f$  first increases with increasing fatigue life, then decreases. The most significant peaks, occurring in tests with tensile residual stress, indicate the most dangerous regions in fatigue life and strength. At short fatigue lives corresponding to high stress levels, alternating plasticity takes place and  $K_f$  is low; as lives increase, true alternating stress fatigue occurs which for specimens with tensile residual stress ( $s_p = -0.75, -1$ ) coincides with the existence of a subsurface tensile crack opener and here  $K_f$  becomes very large. When compressive residual stresses are present ( $s_p = 0.75, 1, 1.34$ ) the crack opener is replaced by a compressive crack stopper and  $K_f$  decreases. For low stress levels alternating stress fatigue is replaced by pulsating fatigue at largely elastic conditions and  $K_f$  reduces further.

It is somewhat more difficult to explain a peak in the  $K_f$  curve for non-prestressed specimens. At high stresses alternating plasticity and at intermediate levels true fatigue takes place in these specimens also and  $K_f$  increases.

The subsequent decrease at long lives or low alternating stresses can be again attributed to a condition of pulsating stress which is induced at the root of a crack in spite of the fact that the nominal stress is completely reversed. This phenomenon has been observed by Isibasi<sup>13</sup> and by Harris<sup>14</sup> in steels and is attributed to residual stresses resulting from the sharp stress concentration at the tip of a crack.

#### 6. Cumulative Damage Under Randomized Exponential Stress Distributions

It has been shown in earlier publications<sup>1,15</sup> that the effects of stress interaction in variable amplitude fatigue tests on smooth specimens are mostly damaging and result in a reduced endurance limit.<sup>16</sup> Observed fatigue lives are considerably shorter than estimated<sup>17</sup> on the basis of the linear damage rule.<sup>18</sup>

Experiments performed by Hardrath and associates<sup>19</sup> on notched specimens of 7075-T6 aluminum with continuously variable stress amplitudes and sinusoidal, exponential, and gust frequency modulations indicate that, in the great majority of cases, the linear damage rule overestimates fatigue lives. The present investigation shows that under randomized exponential stress distributions cumulative damage is intensified, cumulative cycle ratios are less than one, and the endurance limit is lowered even when residual stresses are present. Cumulative cycle ratios greater than one were observed only in low cycle tests with tensile residual stresses where fatigue is replaced by alternating plasticity.

#### Strength Reduction Factor

The random fatigue strength reduction factor,  $K_{fR}$ , de-

fined as the constant by which all stress levels of a spectrum must be divided to produce the same fatigue life in a notched specimen as that of a smooth specimen under a proportional stress distribution, was determined experimentally using several exponential stress spectra. The randomized exponential stress distribution, whose frequency function is  $p(s^*) = he^{-h(s^* - s_i^*)}$  from which the proportion of cycles at the  $i^{\text{th}}$  stress level,

$$p_i = \int_{s_i^*}^{s_{i+1}^*} p(s^*) ds^* = e^{-ih\Delta s^*} (e^{h\Delta s^*} - 1) \quad (6-1)$$

can be computed, has been used to determine its effects on the fatigue life of smooth specimens.<sup>15</sup> In the above expression  $h$  is the only parameter of the distribution and  $\Delta s^* = s_{i+1}^* - s_i^* = .1$ , where starred quantities refer to smooth specimens, is constant. The frequencies of occurrence,  $p_i$ , used in the tests are listed in Table 5, and the characteristic values of fatigue lives in Tables 6 and 7 under smooth specimens.

The frequencies of occurrence,  $p_i$ , of Table 5 were also used, to determine fatigue lives of notched specimens under proportionally reduced stress distributions for which the stress levels  $s_i = s_i^*/m$  and  $\Delta s = \Delta s^*/m$ . Various values of  $m$  were chosen until the fatigue life of notched specimens and smooth specimens was nearly identical. The interpolated value of  $m$  was then designated as the random strength reduction factor  $K_{fR}$ .

Specially built rotating bending fatigue machines<sup>20</sup> were used in the investigation. The machines are able to apply

up to 7 electro-magnetically adjustable stress levels in any tape programmed sequence in blocks of 12 cycles to a specimen rotating at a speed of 3600 RPM. The program consists of 1000 load impulses of 12 cycles each after which it is repeated.

Ten specimens were tested at each combination of three slope parameters  $h$ , three  $s_1^*$ , and several  $m$  values; a total of over 600 random tests were performed. The results were statistically analyzed and the relevant parameters  $N_o$ ,  $V_R^*$  and  $\alpha_R$  were computed using again the three parametric distribution of extreme values [Eq. (5-1)]. The characteristic values of fatigue lives,  $V_R^*$ , are listed in Tables 6 and 7 with zero prestress, while all test results and parameters are presented in Table 8 and are plotted on extremal probability paper on Fig. 13.

A series of tests were also performed on specimens previously subjected to prestress to investigate the effects of residual stress on the strength reduction factor under random loading. The experimental determination of the random strength reduction factor was carried out in the manner described above. These results are also presented in Tables 7 and 8 and in Fig. 13.

The strength reduction factor  $K_{fR}$  has been plotted as a function of prestress for three different values of the load parameter in Fig. 14.

It is apparent from a comparison of Figs. 12 and 14 that the variation of  $h$  has little effect on  $K_{fR}$  and a reasonable estimate may be obtained for this parameter by assuming it to be equal in value to that of  $K_f$  for an equivalent life at constant stress amplitude.

The effects of residual stresses on random fatigue life

are shown in Fig. 15 where curves are presented for two constant values of the ratio  $m$ . The increase in life with compressive residual stress (positive prestress) is much greater than the reduction due to tensile residual stress.

A plot of the experimentally obtained fatigue lives  $V_R^*$  versus the linear estimate  $V_R$  for this life is shown in Fig. 16; it becomes quickly apparent that in the majority of cases the linear rule overestimates fatigue lives by factors as large as 100. It is, however, possible to obtain more conservative estimates using a fictitious  $S - V_s^*$  relationship in conjunction with a quasilinear damage rule<sup>1</sup> of the form

$$\frac{1}{\sum p_i/V_{s_i}^*} \quad (6-2)$$

and

$$V_{s_i}^* = V_m \left( \frac{s_m - s_e^*}{s_i - s_e^*} \right)^v \quad (6-3)$$

where  $V_{s_i}^*$  is the fictitious constant amplitude fatigue life at the  $i^{\text{th}}$  stress level,  $V_m$  the constant amplitude life at the maximum stress ratio,  $s_m$ , of the spectrum computed from Eq. (5-2),  $v$  the constant of Eq. (5-2) and  $s_e^*$  is the reduced endurance limit ratio and the only unknown parameter of the solution. The computed values of  $s_e^*$  are listed in Tables 6 and 7. Though the dependence of this parameter on the load spectrum is established beyond a doubt, the exact relationship governing stress interaction phenomena is not yet known.

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Table 1  
Physical Properties of 7075 T6 Aluminum

Ultimate Tensile Strength $\sigma_u$ ksi	Yield Strength in Tension $s_y$ ksi	Modulus of Elasticity $E \times 10^{-6}$ ksi	Poisson's Ratio $\bar{\nu}$	
82	76	10	.333	

Table 2  
 General Bending Fatigue Behavior of Circumferentially Notched  
 Specimens with Superimposed Residual Stress

Bending Stress ratio	Tensile Residual Stress	No Residual Stress	Compressive Residual Stress
Low Level .1 < s < .21	Pulsating tension fatigue $10^5 < N < \infty$	Reversed stress with pulsating fatigue $10^6 < N < \infty$	Pulsating compression no fatigue $N = \infty$
Intermediate level .21 < s < .50	Alternating stress fatigue with subsurface crack opener $10^4 < N < 10^5$	Reversed stress fatigue $10^4 < N < 10^6$	Alternating stress fatigue with subsurface crack stopper $10^7 < N < \infty$
High level .50 < s < .75	Alternating plasticity $10^3 < N < 10^4$	Alternating plasticity $10^3 < N < 10^4$	Alternating plasticity $10^3 < N < 10^4$

**Table 3**  
**Number of Cycles to Failure,  $N_s$ , in Thousands,**  
**Under Constant Amplitude Stress**

Prestress Ratio $\frac{P}{P_0}$	Stress Amplitude $\frac{S}{S_0}$	Specimen No.	Prestress Ratio $\frac{P}{P_0}$							Prestress Ratio $\frac{P}{P_0}$							Prestress Ratio $\frac{P}{P_0}$									
			55	34	25	10	7	Specimen No.	55	34	25	10	7	Specimen No.	55	34	25	10	7	Specimen No.	55	34	25			
-1.00	0.5	1	1.0	7.0	21.0	92.0	325.0	1	1.4	18.0	49.0	119.2	299.7	1	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	1	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	
		2	1.1	7.0	21.0	93.0	326.0	2	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	2	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	2	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	
		3	1.2	7.0	21.0	93.0	326.0	3	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	3	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	3	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	
		4	7.0	21.0	93.0	326.0	1520.0	4	20.0	64.0	229.5	569.6	2095.6	5	21.0	65.0	237.9	575.5	2175.6	6	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6	2295.6	
		5	8.0	21.0	93.0	326.0	1571.0	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6	2295.6	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6
	0.6	6	8.0	21.0	93.0	326.0	1571.0	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6	2295.6	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6
		7	8.0	21.0	93.0	326.0	1571.0	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6	2295.6	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6
		8	8.7	21.0	93.0	326.0	1571.0	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6	2295.6	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6
		9	9.0	21.0	93.0	326.0	1571.0	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6	2295.6	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6
		10	10.0	21.0	93.0	326.0	1571.0	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6	2295.6	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6	75	5	21.0	66.0	251.6	594.6
0.8	$N_s$	1	6.5	20.0	65.0	150.0	450.0	1	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	453.9	1	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	1	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0
		2	6.5	20.0	65.0	150.0	450.0	2	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	453.9	2	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	2	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0
		3	6.5	20.0	65.0	150.0	450.0	3	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	453.9	3	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	3	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0
		4	6.5	20.0	65.0	150.0	450.0	4	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	453.9	4	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	4	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0
		5	6.5	20.0	65.0	150.0	450.0	5	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	453.9	5	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	5	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0
	$V_s$	6	6.5	20.0	65.0	150.0	450.0	6	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	453.9	6	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	6	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0
		7	6.5	20.0	65.0	150.0	450.0	7	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	453.9	7	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	7	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0
		8	6.5	20.0	65.0	150.0	450.0	8	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	453.9	8	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	8	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0
		9	6.5	20.0	65.0	150.0	450.0	9	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	453.9	9	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	9	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0
		10	6.5	20.0	65.0	150.0	450.0	10	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	453.9	10	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0	10	1.4	15.0	45.0	120.0	360.0
0.9	$N_s$	1	1.0	12.0	31.0	94.0	285.0	1	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	453.9	1	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	1	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0
		2	1.1	12.0	31.0	94.0	285.0	2	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	453.9	2	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	2	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0
		3	1.2	12.0	31.0	94.0	285.0	3	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	453.9	3	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	3	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0
		4	1.3	12.0	31.0	94.0	285.0	4	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	453.9	4	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	4	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0
		5	1.3	12.0	31.0	94.0	285.0	5	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	453.9	5	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	5	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0
	$V_s$	6	1.3	12.0	31.0	94.0	285.0	6	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	453.9	6	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	6	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0
		7	1.3	12.0	31.0	94.0	285.0	7	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	453.9	7	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	7	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0
		8	1.3	12.0	31.0	94.0	285.0	8	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	453.9	8	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	8	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0
		9	1.3	12.0	31.0	94.0	285.0	9	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	453.9	9	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	9	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0
		10	1.3	12.0	31.0	94.0	285.0	10	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	453.9	10	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0	10	1.4	18.0	54.0	125.8	321.0

Table 4  
 Constants of  $s - v_s$  Equation (Eq. 5-2),  $v_s = A(s - s_e)^{-v}$

Prestress Ratio $s_p$	A	Endurance Limit Ratio $s_e$	v
-1.00	364.8	0.0610	2.67
- .75	341.2	0.0610	2.79
0	194.2	0.1341	3.28
.75	171.8	0.1463	3.65
1.00	216.8	0.3049	2.43
1.34	72.3	0.4268	2.96
Smooth	691.0	0.0250	4.76

Table 5  
Frequencies of Occurrence  $P_i$  of Stress Ratios  $s_i$   
in Exponential Spectra ( $\sigma_u = 82,000 \text{ psi}$ ).

$s_1$	.35	.45	.55	.65	.75	.85	.95
$h=17.3$	.822000	.145600	.026640	.004580	.001000	.00018200	
	.822000	.145600	.026640	.004580	.00010000	.00018200	
	.822180	.145600	.026640	.00458000	.00100000		
$h=22.9$	.900000	.090000	.009000	.000900	.000090	.00001000	
	.900000	.090000	.009000	.000900	.00009000	.00001000	
	.900010	.090000	.009000	.00090000	.00009000	.000009000	
$h=34.3$	.968400	.030600	.001000	.000030	.000001	.00000003	
	.968400	.030600	.001000	.000030	.00000100	.00000003	
	.968400	.030600	.001000	.00003000	.000003000	.00000100	

**Table 6**  
**Parameters and Test Results Under (Randomized)**  
**Exponential Distributions**

Test Series	Lowest Stress No.	No. of Stress Levels	h	Prestress Ratio $s_p$	m	Test Result $V_R$ (in thousands)	Linear Estimate $V_R$ (in thousands)	Cumulative Cycle Ratio $1/d$	Endurance Limit Ratio $s_e$
	Level Ratio $s_1^*$								
	23a	.35	6	17.3	0	2.2 609.3	2697.2	0.226	0.068
	23b	.35	6	17.3	0	2.25 833.7	3358.2	0.248	0.070
Smooth Specimen	.35	6	17.3	0	1.0	694.3	2099.0	0.331	0.170
	24a	.55	5	17.3	0	1.8 52.1	47.0	1.108	0.137
	24b	.55	5	17.3	0	2.0 67.5	85.6	0.789	0.110
Smooth Specimen	.55	5	17.3	0	1.0	50.8	118.1	0.430	0.180
	25a	.35	6	22.9	0	2.3 2298.0	10062.6	0.228	0.090
Smooth Specimen	.35	6	22.9	0	1.0	1467.4	4413.8	0.332	0.200
	26a	.55	5	22.9	0	1.7 41.3	40.1	1.029	0.145
	26b	.55	5	22.9	0	1.8 64.8	55.4	1.169	0.137
	26c	.55	5	22.9	0	2.0 61.2	102.8	0.595	0.085
Smooth Specimen	.55	5	22.9	0	1.0	52.3	166.6	0.314	0.140
	27a	.35	6	34.3	0	2.4 9147.0	60208.3	0.152	0.110
Smooth Specimen	.35	6	34.3	0	1.0	9493.0	7686.4	1.235	0.280
	28a	.55	5	34.3	0	2.2 178.0	207.7	0.857	0.125
	28b	.55	5	34.3	0	2.3 239.0	292.5	0.817	0.110
Smooth Specimen	.55	5	34.3	0	1.0	92.0	213.0	0.432	0.220

Table 7

Parameters and Test Results Under (Randomized) Exponential Distributions.  $s^* = .45$ , No. of stress levels = 6

Test Series No.	h	Prestress Ratio $s_p$	m	Test Result $V'_R$ (in thousands)	Linear Estimate $V_R$ (in thousands)	Cumulative Cycle Ratio $1/\bar{W}$	Endurance Limit Ratio $s'_e$
1a 1b 2a 2b 3a 3b 4a 5a 5b 6a 6b 7a 7b Smooth Specimen	17.3	-1.00	1.4	15.7	10.7	1.467	0.130
		-1.00	4.0	222.9	681.1	0.327	0.000
		-.75	1.4	18.0	11.8	1.524	0.120
		-.75	2.9	206.1	192.1	1.073	0.065
		0	1.4	23.5	32.3	0.728	0.100
		0	2.3	209.0	739.7	0.283	0.063
		.50	2.1	173.3			
		.75	1.4	30.0	57.3	0.524	0.070
		.75	1.9	203.7	462.9	0.440	0.090
		1.00	1.4	74.9	242.8	0.308	0.230
		1.00	1.6	207.4	924.4	0.224	0.220
		1.34	1.3	515.4	1574.1	0.328	0.320
		1.34	1.4	869.0	4143.7	0.210	0.320
		0	1.0	197.5	452.6	0.436	0.220
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8a 8b 8c 9a 9b 10a 10b 10c 10d 11a 11b Smooth Specimen	22.9	-1.00	1.4	14.6	11.8	1.237	0.110
		-1.00	1.95	85.5	35.1	2.436	0.130
		-1.00	4.0	226.3	820.5	0.276	0.000
		-.75	1.4	17.9	13.1	1.367	0.120
		-.75	3.0	217.0	267.6	0.811	0.057
		0	1.4	24.1	39.5	0.610	0.090
		0	1.8	166.4	169.4	0.982	0.132
		0	2.0	353.5	360.7	0.979	0.134
		0	2.2	370.0	729.0	0.508	0.105
		.50	1.8	204.5			
		.50	2.1	451.5			
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12a 12b 12c 13a 13b 14a 14b 14c 15a Smooth Specimen	22.9	.75	1.4	32.6	73.9	0.442	0.060
		.75	1.9	323.4	671.6	0.481	0.110
		.75	1.95	468.3	841.3	0.557	0.120
		1.00	1.4	89.5	524.4	0.171	0.230
		1.00	1.5	168.2	1250.6	0.134	0.237
		1.34	1.3	281.3	8321.5	0.034	0.300
		1.34	1.35	1769.3	15173.4	0.117	0.330
		1.34	1.4	2715.0	28087.5	0.097	0.310
		1.45	1.15	509.0			
		0	1.0	220.2	748.5	0.294	0.200
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16a 16b 17a 17b 18a 18b 18c 19a 20a 20b 21a 21b 22a 22b Smooth Specimen	34.3	-1.00	1.4	16.9	12.8	1.320	0.110
		-1.00	4.0	372.7	945.8	0.394	0.025
		-.75	1.4	21.2	14.1	1.501	0.120
		-.75	3.5	365.2	597.8	0.611	0.040
		0	1.4	27.3	45.9	0.595	0.090
		0	2.0	411.6	453.4	0.908	0.128
		0	2.3	559.0	1502.5	0.372	0.025
		.50	2.1	518.5			
		.75	1.4	39.4	79.3	0.497	0.070
		.75	1.8	347.9	569.7	0.611	0.122
		1.00	1.4	97.7	1478.8	0.066	0.230
		1.00	1.5	377.4	5409.8	0.070	0.250
		1.34	1.25	517.4	26683.0	0.019	0.300
		1.34	1.4	5200.0	652000.0	0.009	0.300
		0	1.0	336.1	1063.6	0.316	0.210
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Table 8  
Number of Cycles to Failure,  $N_R^t$ , in Thousands, Under  
(Randomized) Exponential Distributions (see Tables 6 and 7)

Specimen Number	1a	1b	2a	2b	Test Series No.	4a	5a	6a	Specimen Number	14b	14c	15a	16a	Test Series No.								
														14b	14c	15a	16a					
1	13.1	172.7	16.8	152.1	18.1	172.1	123.6	24.4	128.9	99.2	69.3	89.4	14.4	319.5	23.7	269.0	288.8					
2	13.5	187.1	16.8	180.9	20.9	179.8	127.0	25.9	129.3	99.4	1	581.6	1112.1	161.2	146.9	18.4	297.6	350.0				
3	16.9	193.5	21.2	181.1	21.2	181.1	132.1	60.0	2	581.6	1151.4	161.2	146.9	18.4	19.9	19.9	322.2	344.3				
4	14.1	194.7	17.1	185.5	21.6	193.3	136.8	27.3	176.4	62.6	3	657.6	1136.2	121.2	253.9	16.1	205.0	346.9				
5	15.1	198.7	17.2	196.6	22.0	203.3	149.2	27.4	189.0	64.0	4	787.7	1212.2	253.9	16.1	361.5	20.0	396.7	371.1			
6	15.1	210.9	17.9	198.0	22.1	204.3	171.7	29.1	199.0	69.8	5	858.4	1536.7	531.2	16.3	364.6	20.1	344.2	457.8			
7	15.2	213.0	18.0	200.3	22.7	205.8	171.9	30.0	209.9	77.5	6	1487.5	2008.5	378.0	17.0	365.5	26.5	392.5	489.8			
8	16.8	224.6	18.4	202.4	24.6	214.3	188.9	31.2	228.1	83.6	7	1939.2	2279.3	446.1	17.1	377.1	21.0	346.2	452.3			
9	18.1	260.4	18.9	208.8	24.6	221.7	211.1	31.6	242.5	81.9	8	2351.4	3160.7	65.0	17.3	380.5	21.5	366.4	457.5			
10	19.4	272.9	19.7	255.4	27.2	228.5	221.7	36.0	245.5	97.4	9	3441.5	5559.5	673.0	17.7	379.1	30.0	467.3	632.4			
N <sub>o</sub>	12.5	146.0	16.0	130.0	15.0	150.0	100.0	22.0	100.0	55.0	No	3570.5	6465.6	1379.1	17.9	397.0	23.1	432.7	533.0			
V <sub>R</sub>	15.7	222.9	18.0	206.1	23.5	207.3	173.3	30.0	203.7	74.9	V <sub>R</sub>	1769.5	2715.0	599.0	16.9	300.0	15.0	365.2	480.0			
o <sub>R</sub>	1.38	2.36	1.79	2.27	2.72	2.49	1.71	1.98	1.52	1.14	o <sub>R</sub>	1.06	983	1.28	2.64	1.86	3.41	4.28	1.75	3.00	1.78	
Specimen Number	6b	7a	7b	8a	Test Series No.	9a	9b	9c	Specimen Number	19a	20a	20b	21a	21b	22a	22b	23a	24a				
1	106.8	134.4	545.4	11.6	52.0	194.3	15.0	175.6	22.0	134.3	1	152.6	29.3	144.4	48.2	131.5	123.6	1024.4	431.1	463.4	40.7	
2	135.5	140.6	594.0	12.6	53.7	194.5	15.7	192.3	22.2	140.4	2	217.4	33.6	189.3	54.6	169.4	139.6	452.7	590.5	40.8	40.8	
3	128.9	208.4	670.4	13.4	57.1	190.0	16.2	192.1	22.4	152.2	3	277.9	33.6	208.6	55.7	205.0	148.5	1360.6	456.1	631.9	41.1	
4	163.5	314.9	675.5	14.2	54.2	172.2	17.3	199.4	22.8	152.5	4	308.9	34.2	218.1	67.5	222.1	168.9	1880.9	481.1	653.2	43.5	
5	177.1	442.5	631.2	14.3	54.2	179.4	17.4	219.2	22.9	156.9	5	316.6	36.9	231.5	70.0	245.0	177.3	2208.8	540.7	686.2	44.5	
6	184.5	567.9	807.7	14.7	54.2	91.1	22.2	175.7	204.1	23.5	6	486.6	39.3	79.3	102.9	102.9	639.5	563.3	761.7	46.9		
7	194.0	618.5	809.7	14.7	50.2	90.2	18.2	216.3	24.4	166.5	7	496.7	46.1	242.7	102.9	486.6	698.6	4437.6	583.4	876.9	52.4	
8	200.7	686.7	1007.9	15.0	96.0	234.4	18.4	226.5	24.7	174.5	8	693.7	46.8	381.7	120.2	543.9	931.1	851.1	923.3	58.5		
9	251.8	707.0	1012.8	15.1	99.9	239.8	18.6	236.0	24.9	177.7	9	198.7	41.0	571.3	121.4	105.6	105.6	654.6	982.0	60.2	60.2	
10	340.0	678.5	1310.2	16.0	104.1	242.6	18.6	245.8	27.8	181.7	10	927.2	46.1	803.8	266.0	597.1	137.6	695.0	1045.5	711.6	711.6	
N <sub>o</sub>	70.0	100.0	500.0	10.0	40.0	180.0	14.0	160.0	21.0	120.0	11	No	60.0	27.0	120.0	40.0	70.0	100.0	350.0	350.0	350.0	
V <sub>R</sub>	207.4	515.4	869.0	14.6	85.5	85.5	10.0	179.0	21.0	166.4	12	518.5	39.4	347.9	77.7	517.4	600.0	600.0	600.0	633.7	52.1	
o <sub>R</sub>	1.80	0.866	1.17	2.94	1.58	1.63	1.97	1.80	1.61	2.13	13	V <sub>R</sub>	1.42	1.63	1.04	1.08	1.33	0.650	0.596	1.77	1.82	1.49
Specimen Number	10c	10d	11a	11b	12a	12b	12c	13a	13b	14a	14b	14c	15a	15b	16a	16b	17a	17b	18a	18b	18c	
1	257.3	187.4	110.7	217.8	25.3	181.0	26.8	187.5	21.2	102.6	99.3	1	45.2	1168.9	32.4	39.4	34.2	3911.9	107.1	127.3		
2	271.0	210.6	157.9	368.6	26.8	127.0	25.9	129.3	23.9	124.2	133.5	2	47.6	1178.7	35.0	33.5	44.6	4038.3	120.6	145.1		
3	225.6	265.4	169.4	392.4	26.9	126.9	27.5	255.0	40.5	126.9	155.2	3	49.8	1185.7	36.2	36.8	49.3	5240.2	125.5	145.1		
4	289.6	311.6	182.5	396.3	32.4	284.7	42.7	425.9	65.1	143.9	159.3	4	63.3	1478.0	37.1	51.4	51.4	1398.1	193.3	193.3		
5	303.9	329.8	189.9	417.7	32.4	322.9	447.8	89.2	144.6	270.5	5	65.8	1479.0	37.2	60.0	52.8	6145.6	193.0	193.0			
6	333.7	348.6	194.2	442.2	32.6	344.8	469.0	89.4	180.7	318.8	6	67.5	1584.9	40.5	62.7	54.5	6420.6	193.2	193.2			
7	364.5	375.1	194.7	446.5	33.0	353.4	482.2	94.5	178.6	312.4	7	68.5	1693.0	41.7	63.8	63.1	7429.6	179.3	239.4			
8	375.3	407.0	194.2	442.7	33.0	358.1	481.8	93.7	181.4	421.6	8	70.5	1784.0	42.2	65.0	65.0	8156.5	191.1	303.2			
9	412.7	427.4	224.9	461.1	35.8	361.2	480.6	95.3	263.0	493.3	9	74.5	2022.2	42.6	67.7	65.1	10422.6	211.7	310.5			
10	467.1	485.1	226.0	469.4	37.8	381.7	480.0	95.0	260.0	493.3	10	76.9	2481.4	52.4	69.4	68.4	1624.3	246.3	310.5			
N <sub>o</sub>	230.0	260.0	160.0	204.5	451.5	32.6	323.4	465.3	89.0	164.2	241.3	11	308.7	3770.2	1	1.63	1.63	1.63	1.63	1.63		
V <sub>R</sub>	333.0	370.0	204.5	2.84	2.91	1.26	2.21	2.17	2.14	1.13	1.23	12	4.02	1.63	1.63	1.63	1.63	1.63	1.63	1.63		
o <sub>R</sub>	1.46	1.97	2.84	2.91	1.26	2.21	2.17	2.14	2.11	2.10	2.13	13	4.4	40.0	100.0	30.0	35.0	30.0	206.0	90.0	100.0	

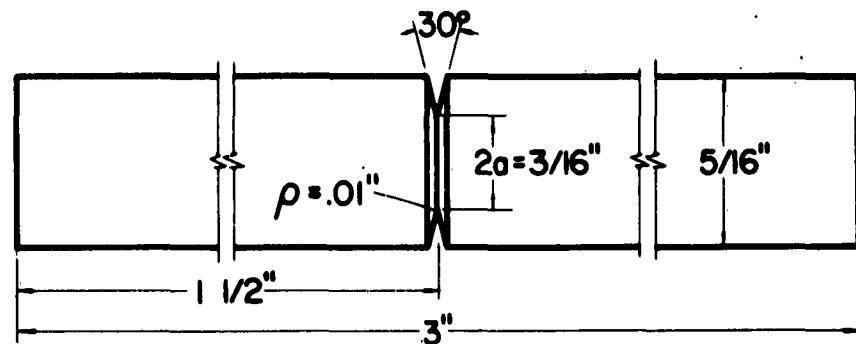


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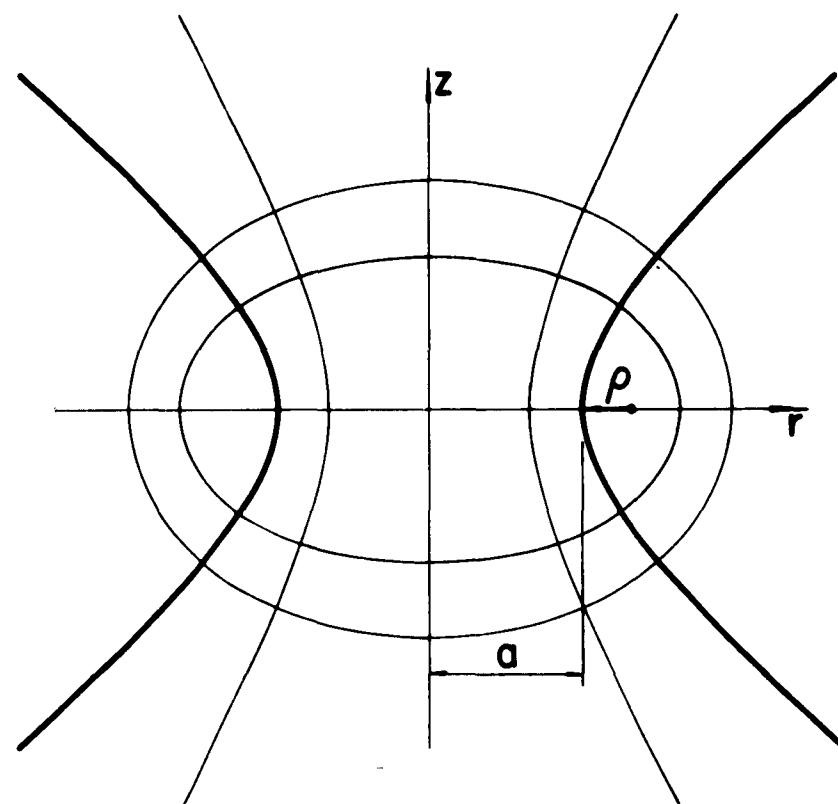


Fig. 2 Oblate Spheroidal Coordinate System for Circumferential Hyperbolic Notch.

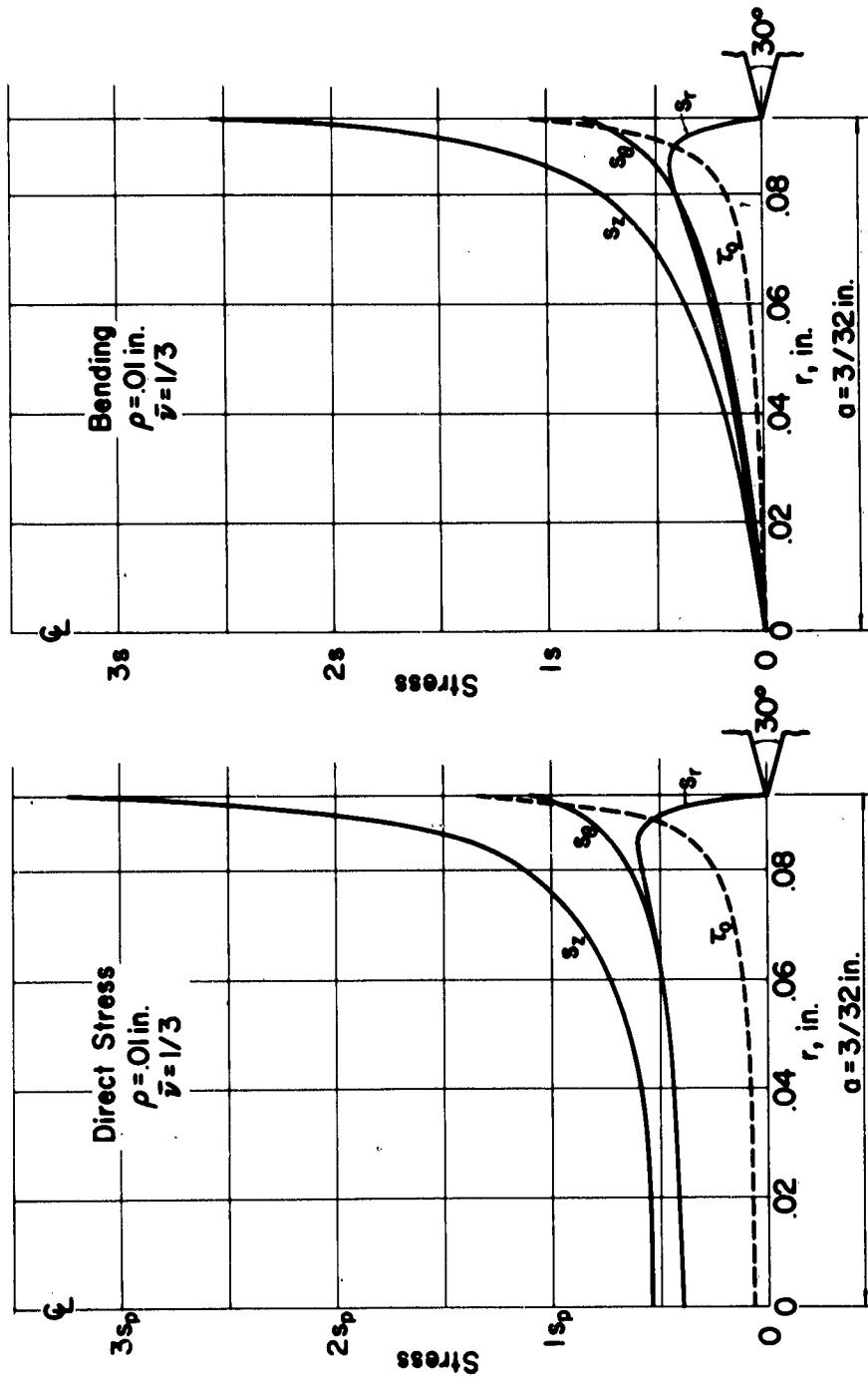


Fig. 3 Elastic Stress Distribution at the Minimum Cross Section for Direct Longitudinal Load

Fig. 4 Elastic Stress Distribution at the Minimum Cross Section for Bending

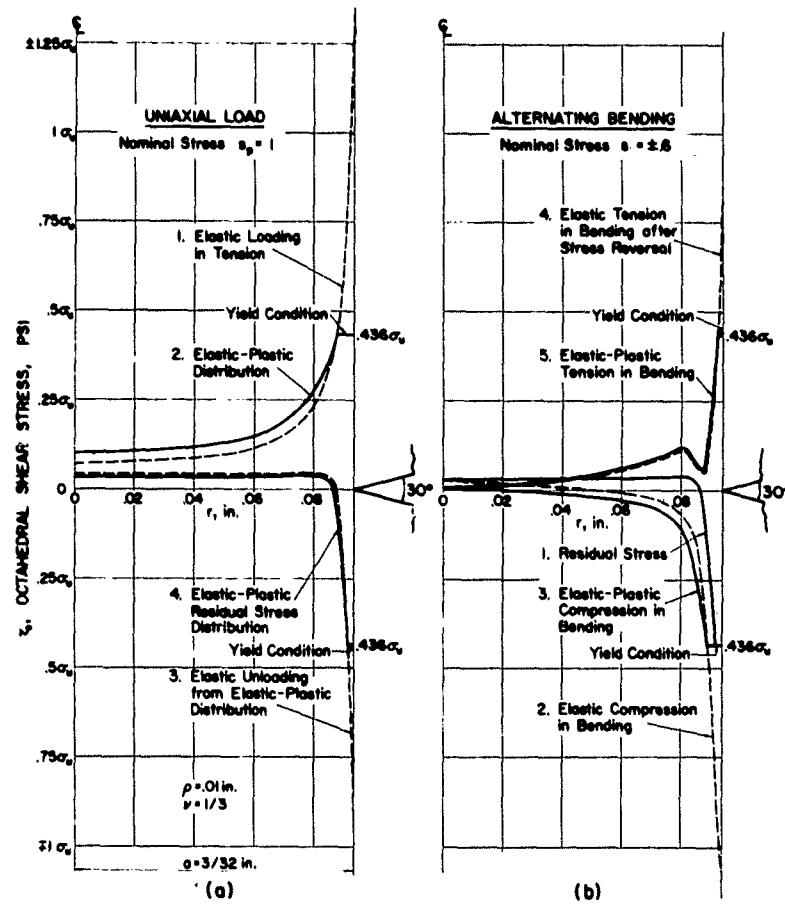


Fig. 5 Development of Residual Stress Field due to Direct Stress  $s_p = 1$  (a) and Superimposed Alternating Bending Stress  $s = .6$  (b)

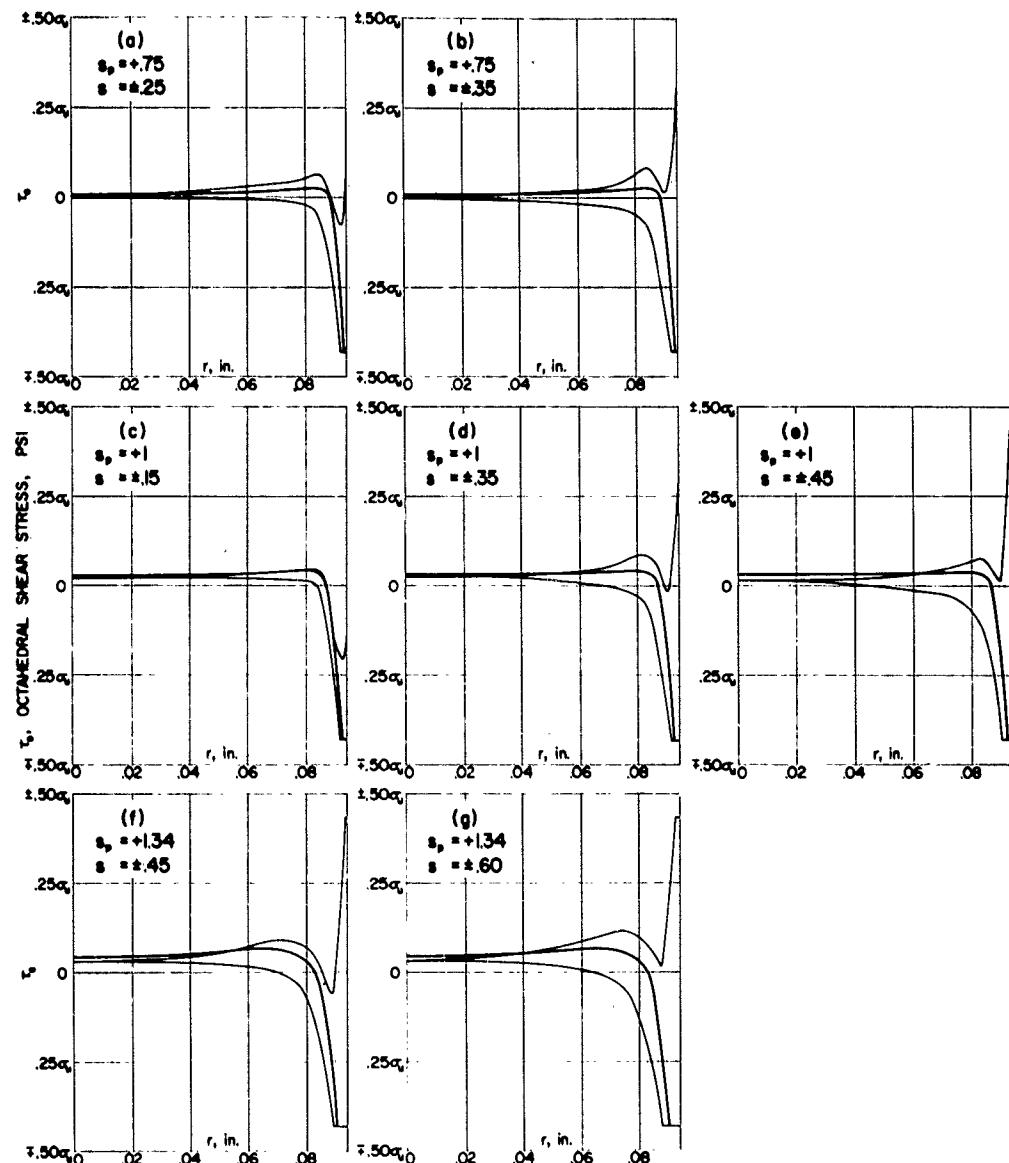


Fig. 6 Alternating Bending Stress Superimposed on Residual Stress for Various Values of  $s_p$  and  $s$

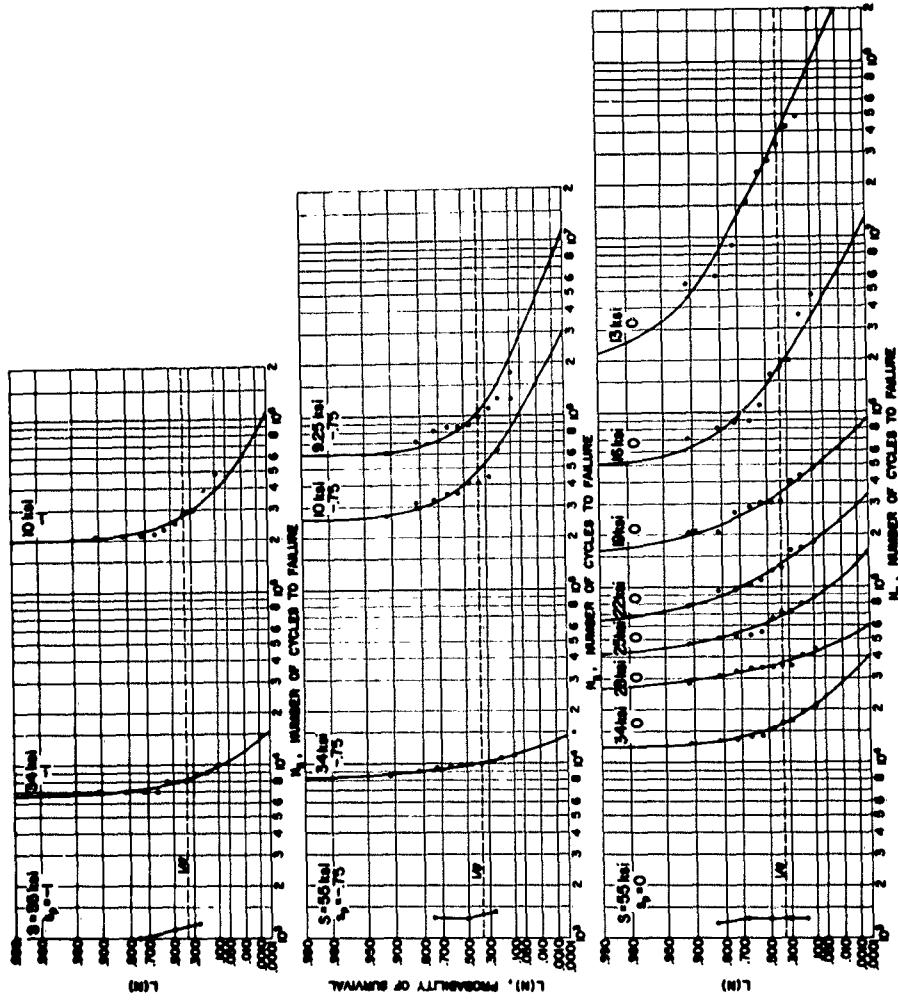


Fig. 7a Survivorship Functions for Constant Amplitude Bending Stress and Direct Prestress.

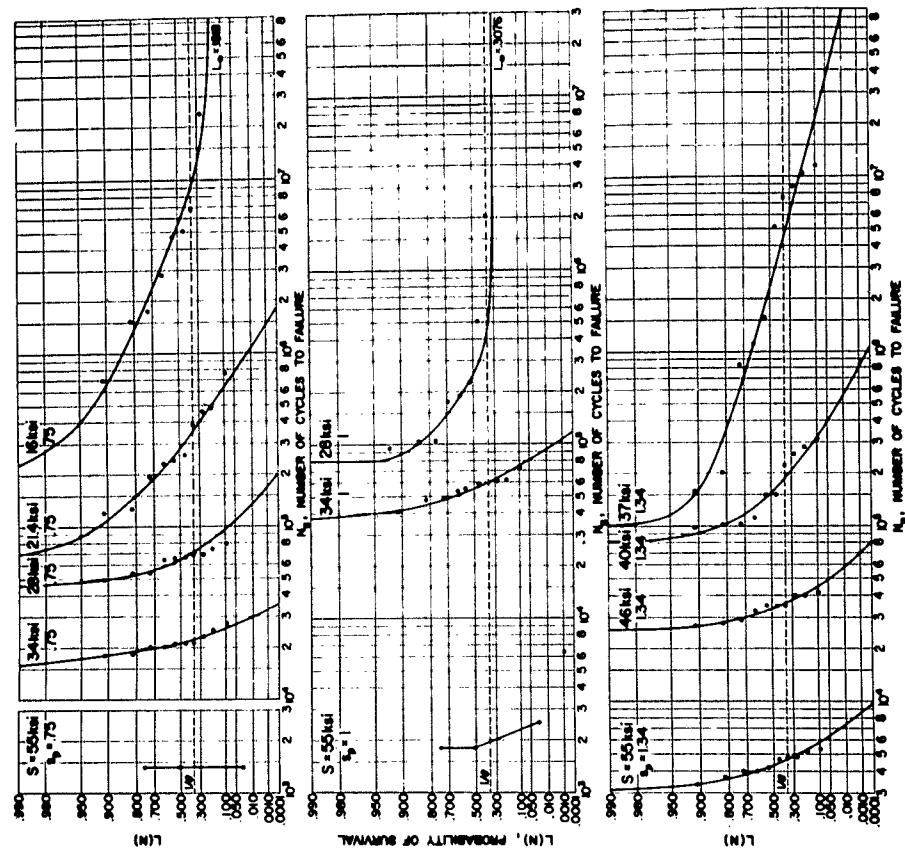


Fig. 7b Survivorship Functions for Constant Amplitude Bending Stress and Direct Prestress.

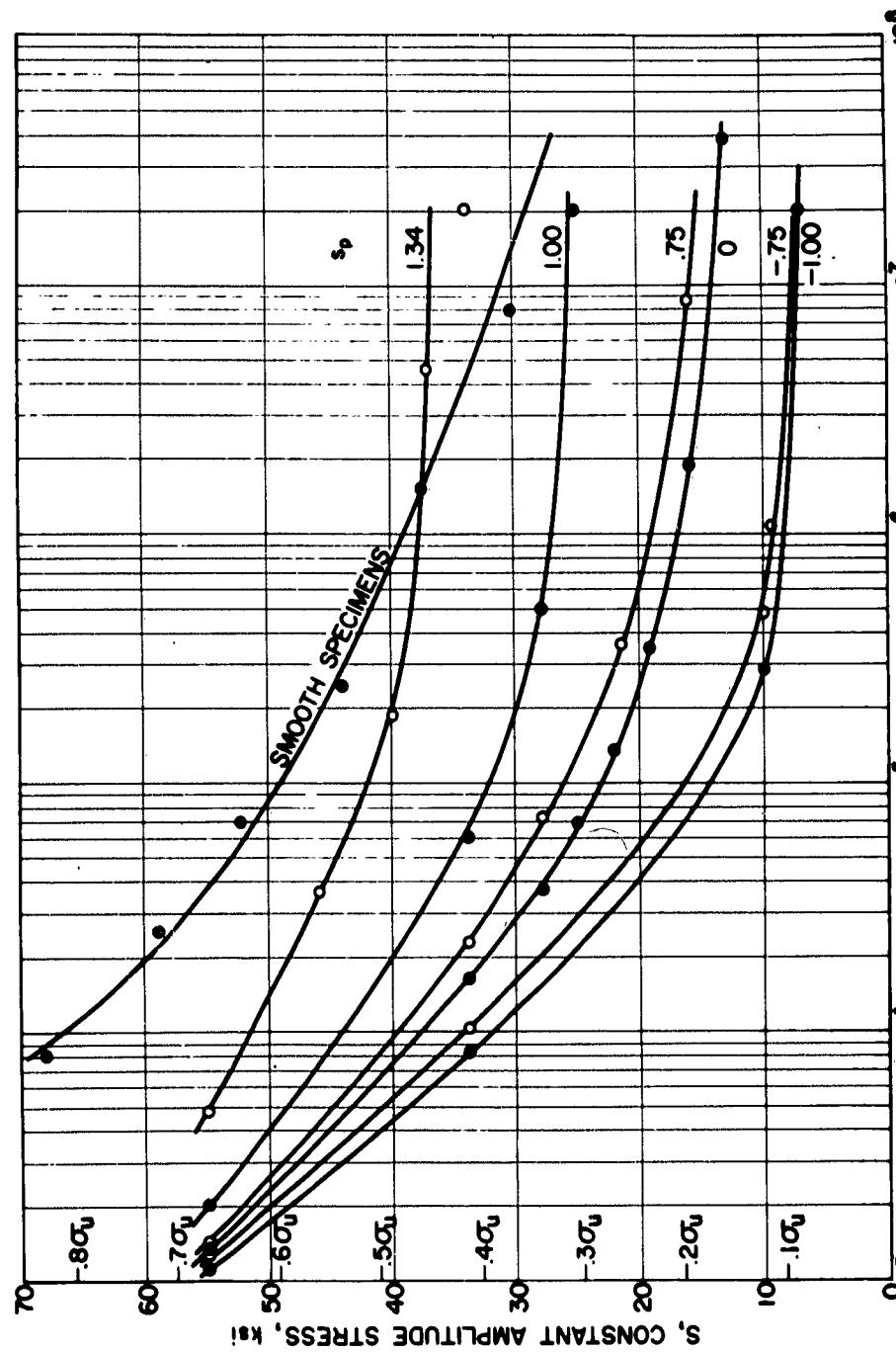


Fig. 8 Constant Amplitude  $S - N_f$  Diagrams for Smooth and Notched Specimens with Various Amounts of Prestress

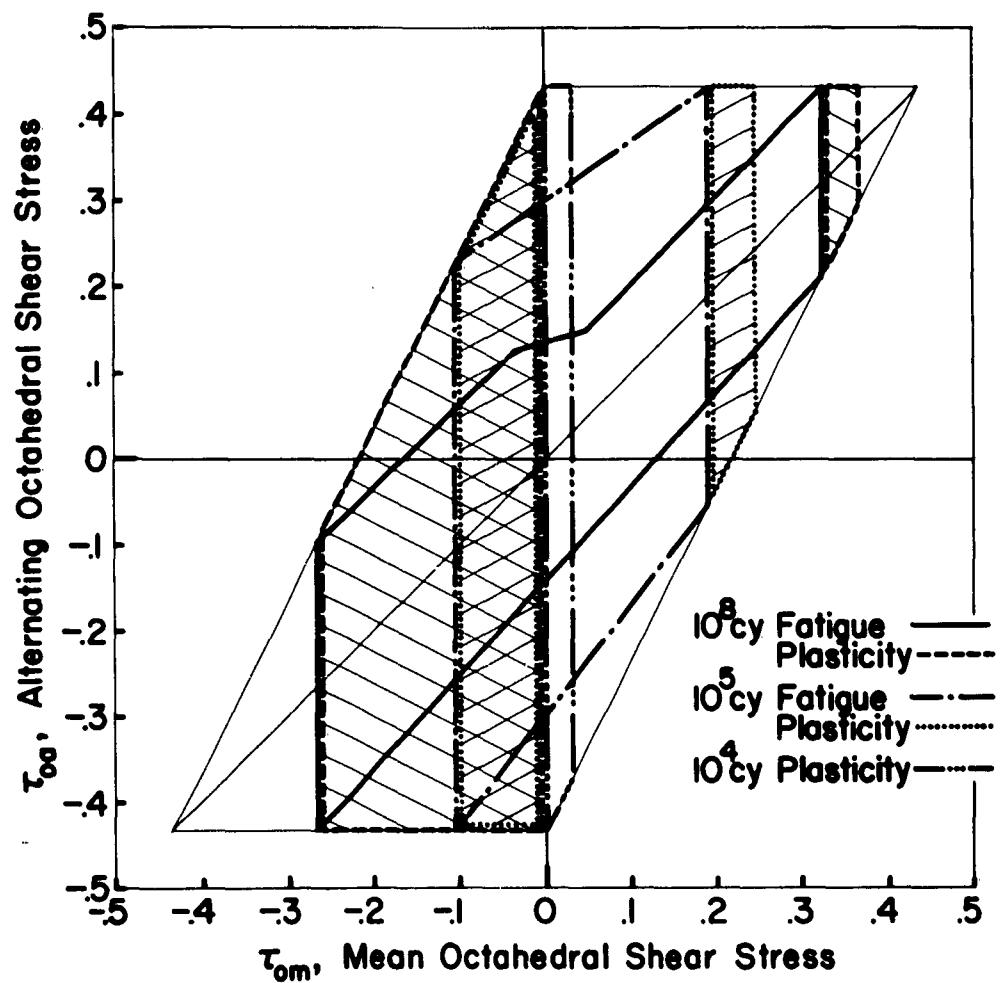


Fig. 9 Modified Goodman Diagrams

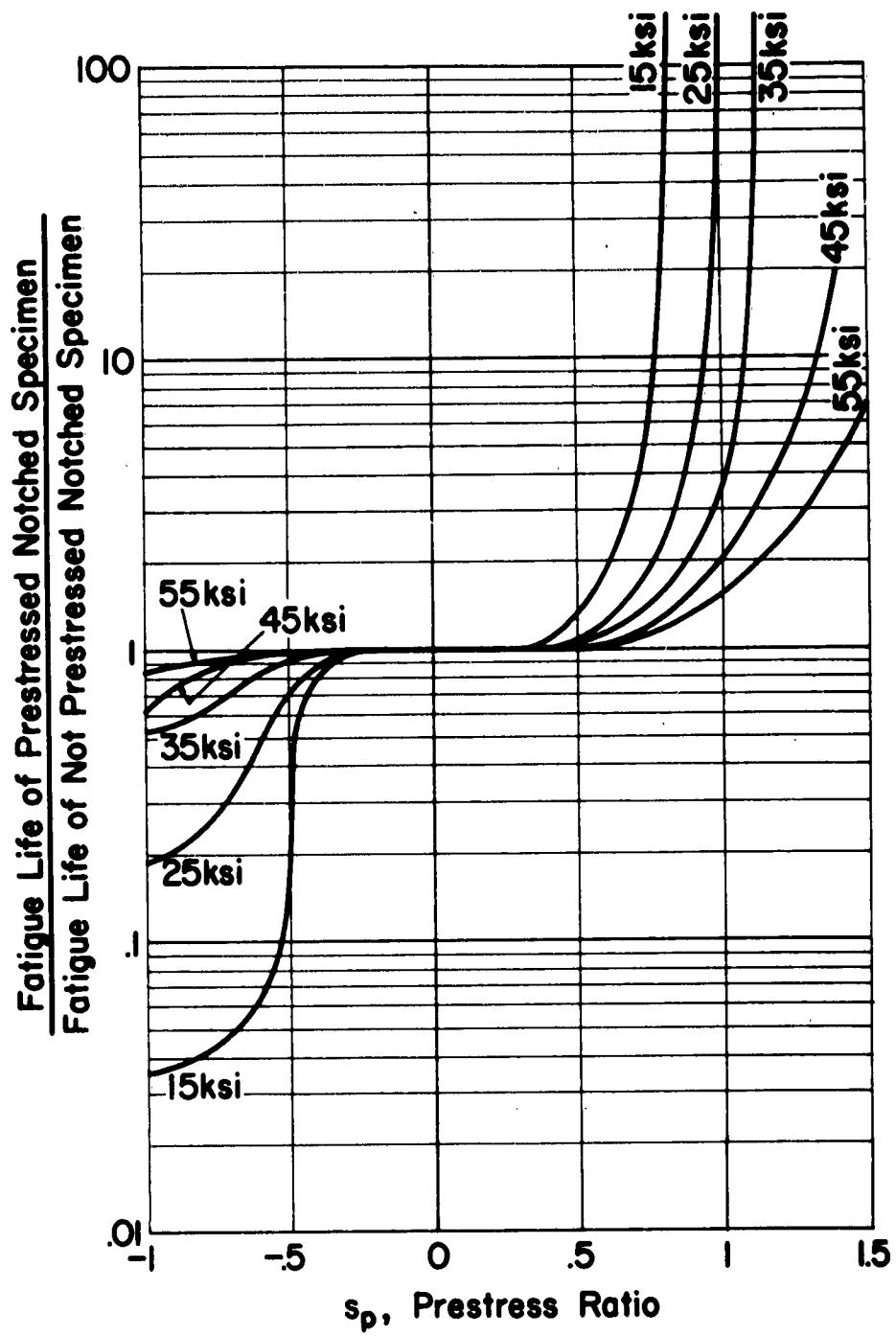


Fig. 10 Ratio of Constant Amplitude Fatigue Lives of Pre-Stressed and Non-Prestressed Notched Specimens as a Function of Prestress

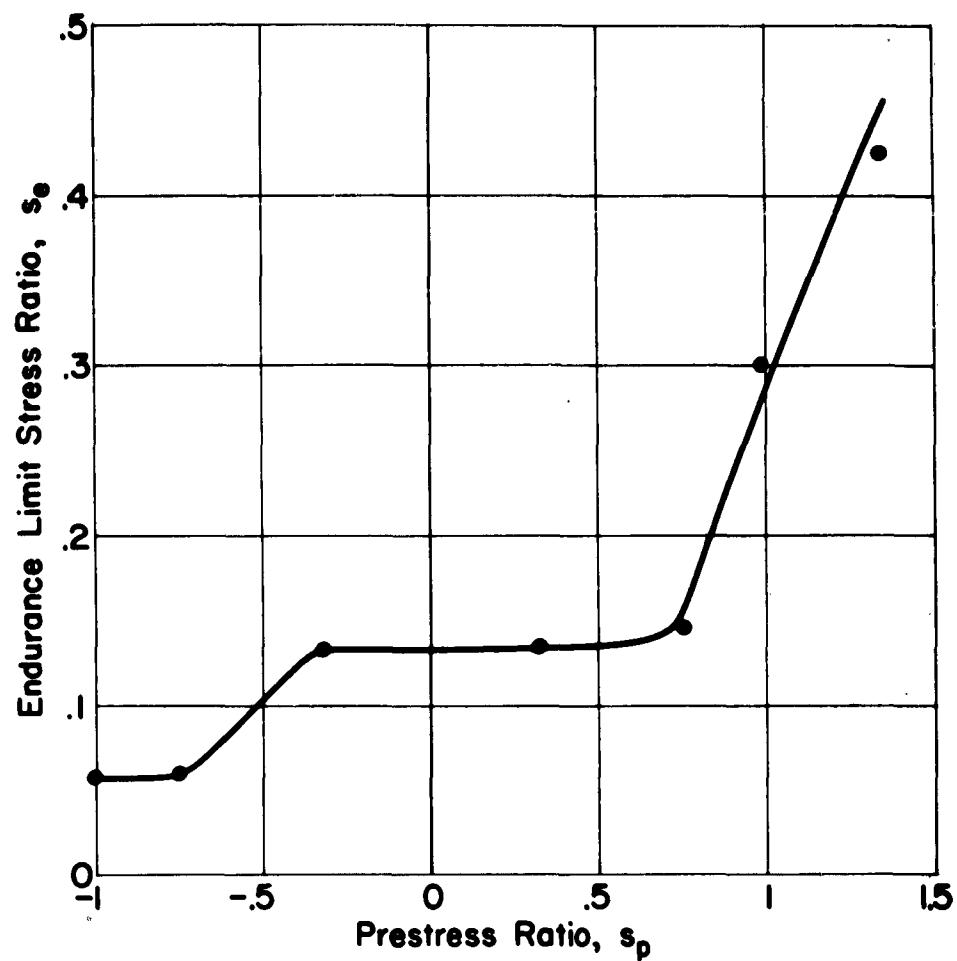


Fig. 11 Conventional Constant Amplitude Endurance Limit as a Function of Prestress

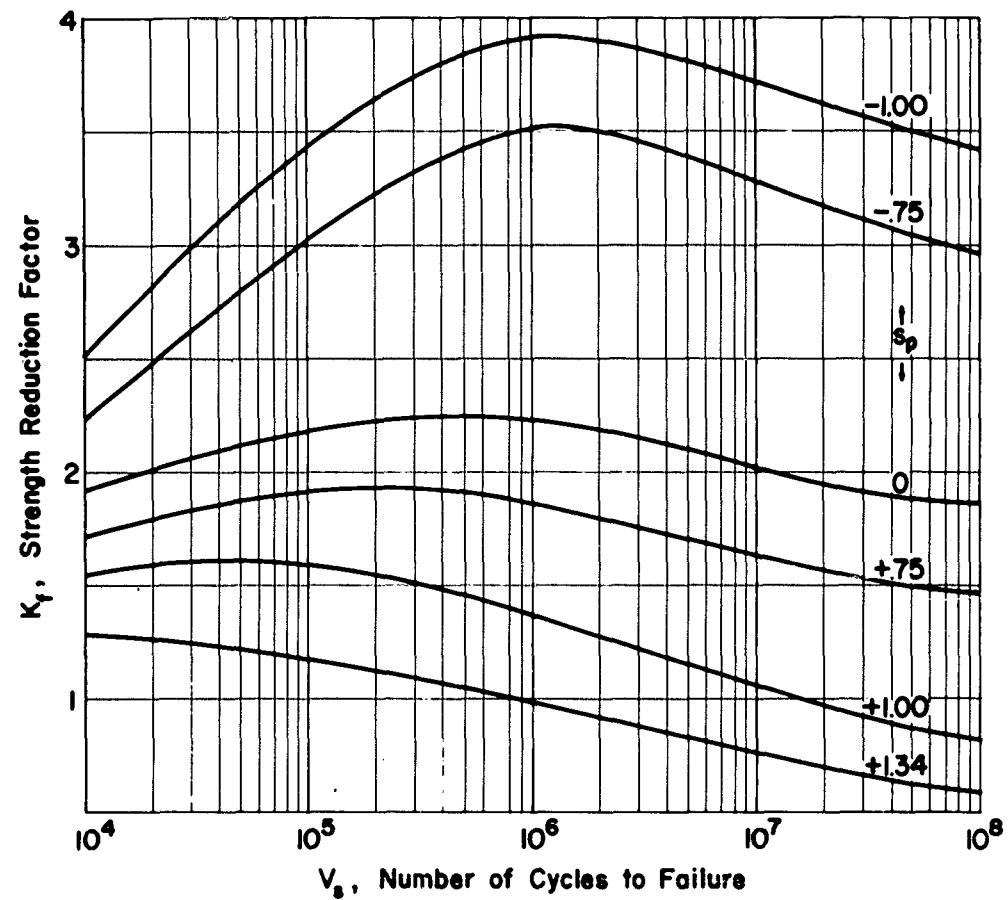


Fig. 12 Constant Amplitude Strength Reduction Factor as a Function of Fatigue Life

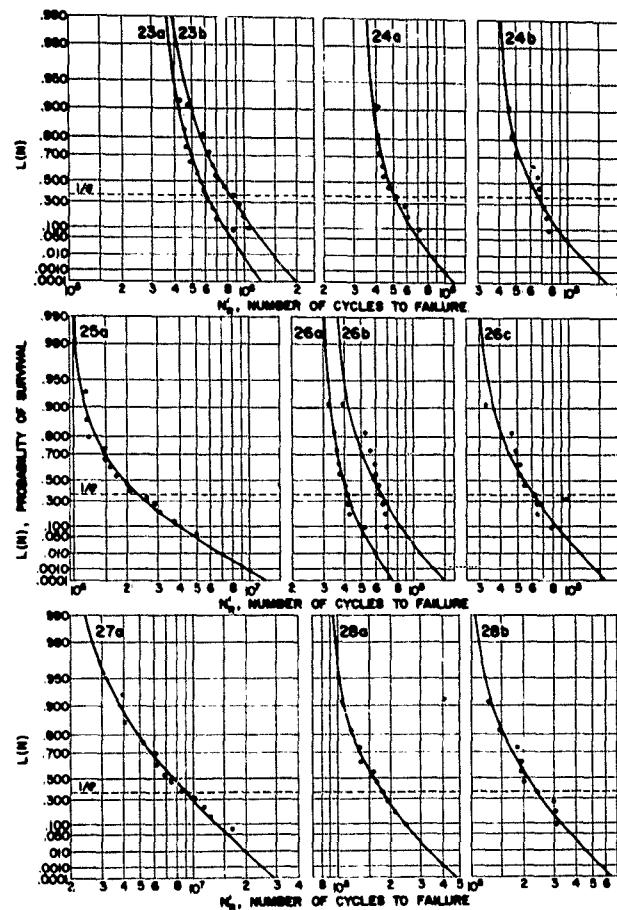


Fig. 13a Survivorship Functions for Notched Specimens Under (Randomized) Exponential Stress Distributions (see Tables 6 and 8);  $s_p = 0$

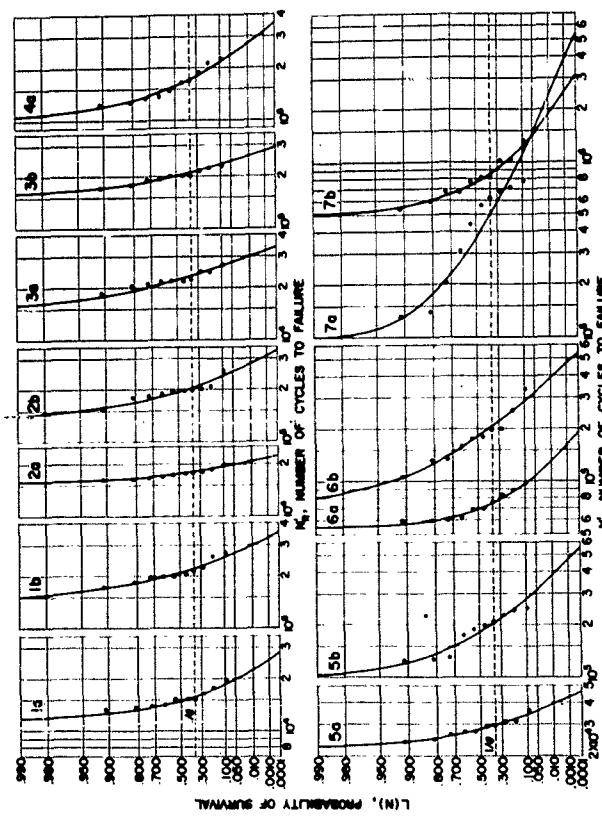


Fig. 13b Survivorship Functions for Notched Specimens Under (Randomized) Exponential Stress Distributions with Prestress;  $n = 17.3$ ,  $s^* = .45$  (see Tables 7 and 8).

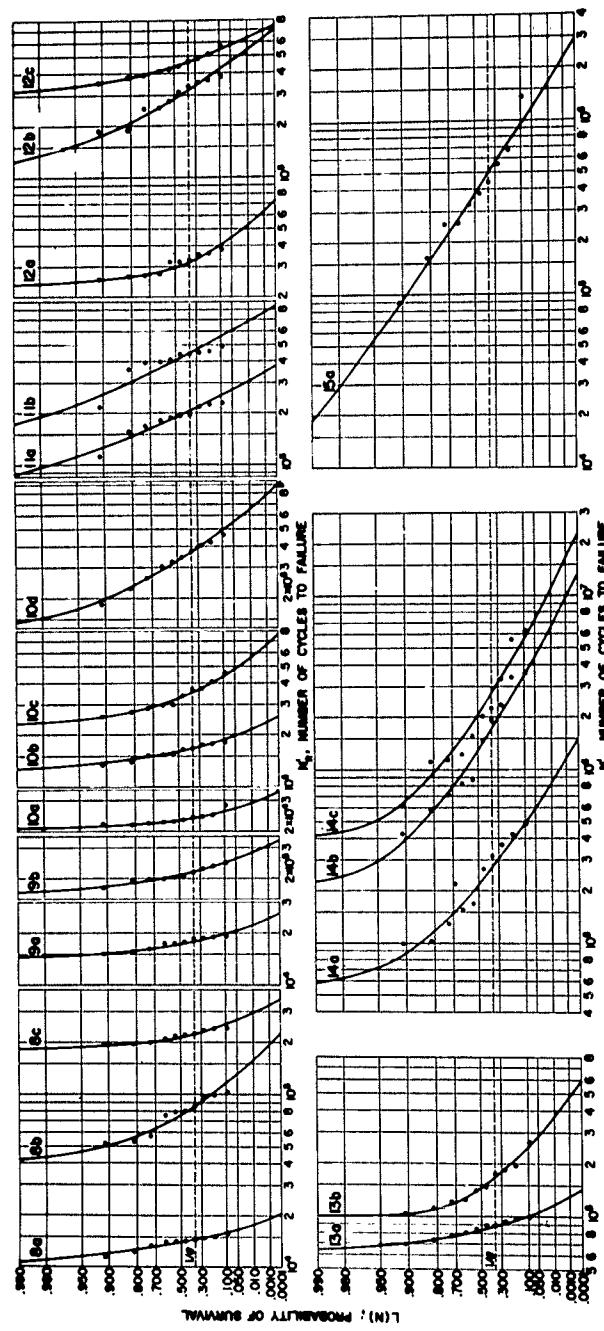


Fig. 13c Survivorship Functions for Notched Specimens Under (Randomized) Exponential Stress Distributions with Prestress;  
 $h = 22.9$ ,  $\alpha_1 = .45$  (see Tables 7 and 8).

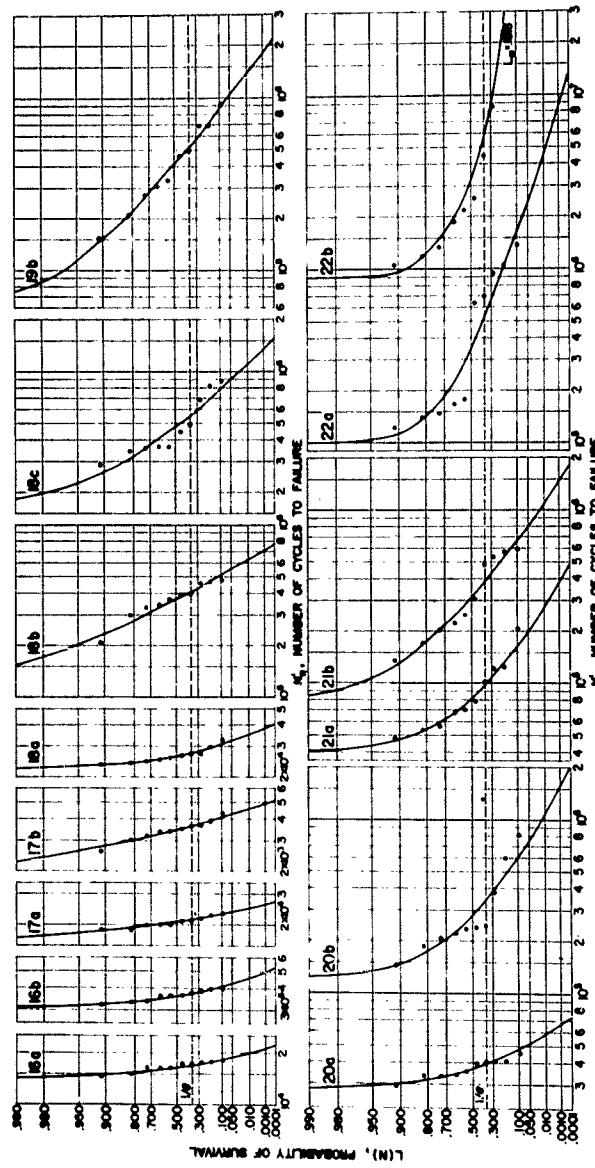


Fig. 13d Survivorship Functions for Notched Specimens Under (Randomized) Exponential Stress Distributions with Prestress;  
 $h = 34.3$ ,  $s_1^* = .45$  (see Tables 7 and 8).

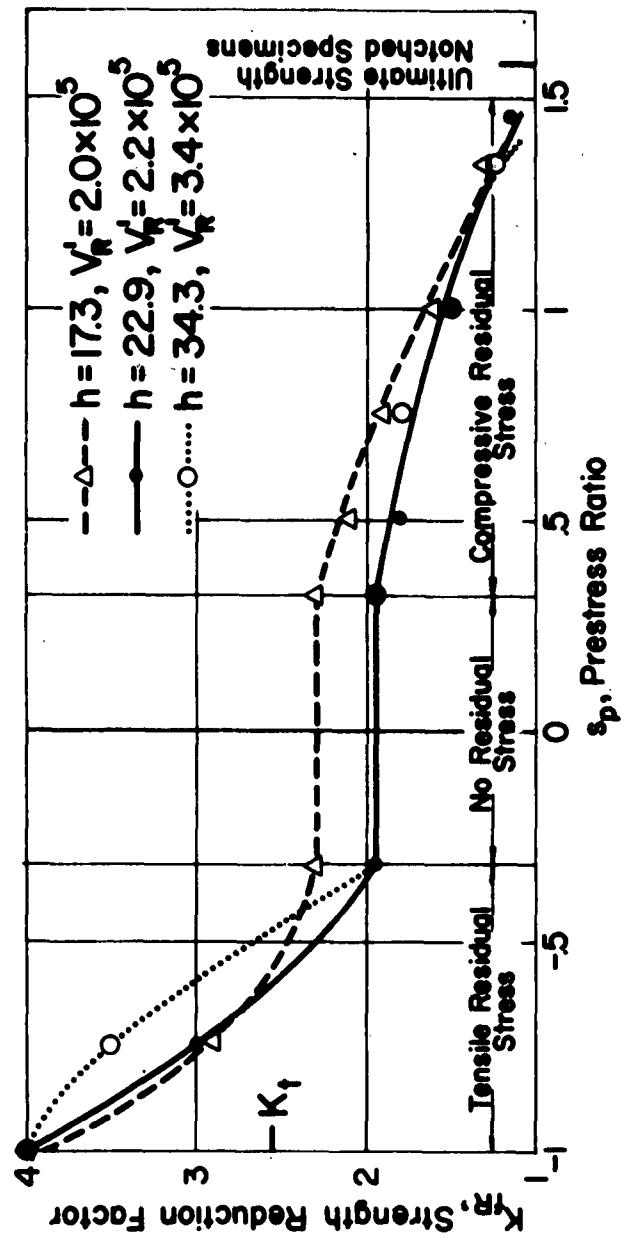


Fig. 14 Random Strength Reduction Factor as a Function of Prestress;  $s_1 = .45/m$ ,  $\Delta s = .1/m$ , No. of stress levels = 6

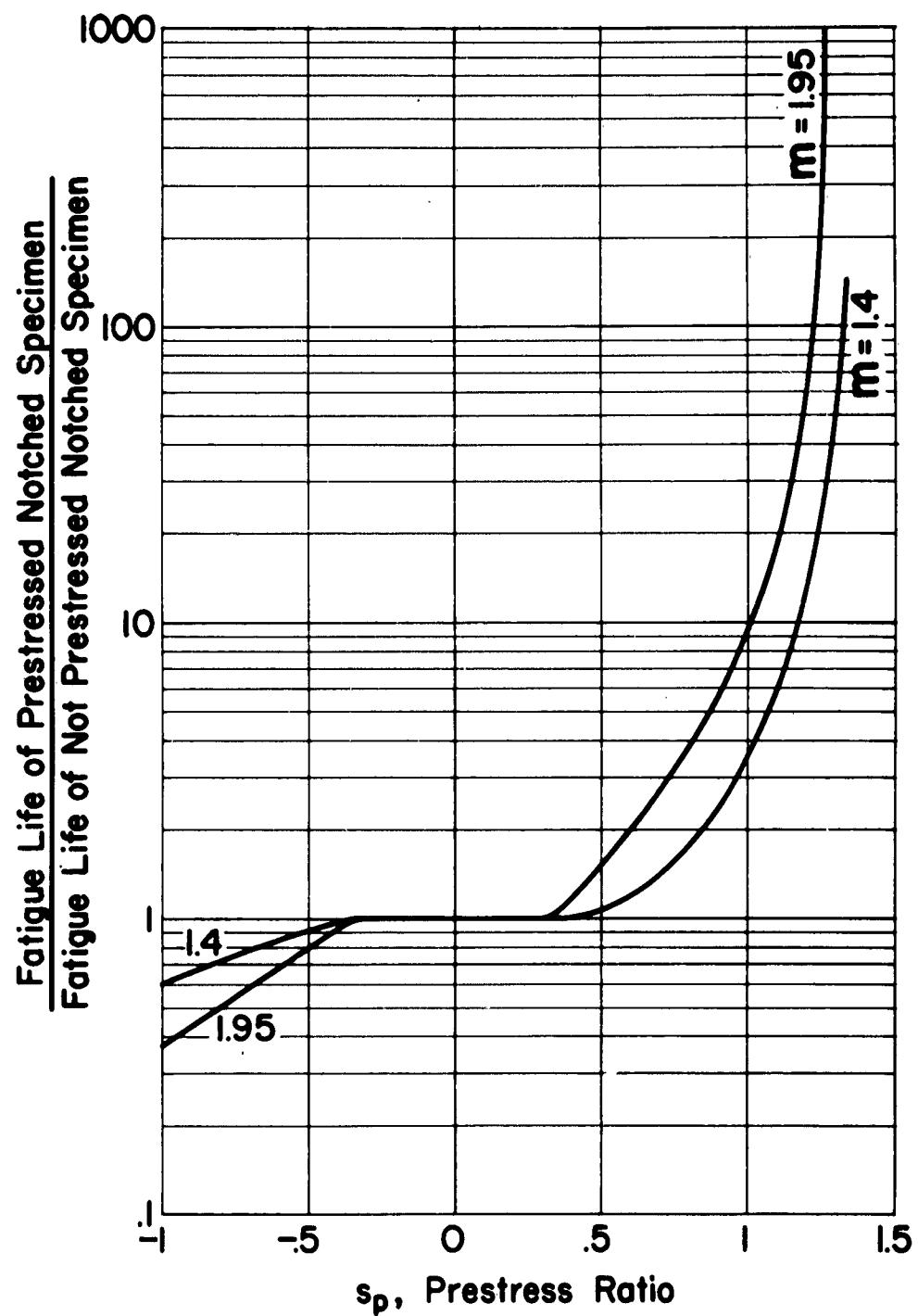


Fig. 15 Ratio of Random Fatigue Lives of Prestressed and Non-Prestressed Notched Specimens as a Function of Prestress for Two Values of  $m$ ;  $s_1 = .45/m$ ,  $\Delta s = .1/m$ , No. of stress levels = 6

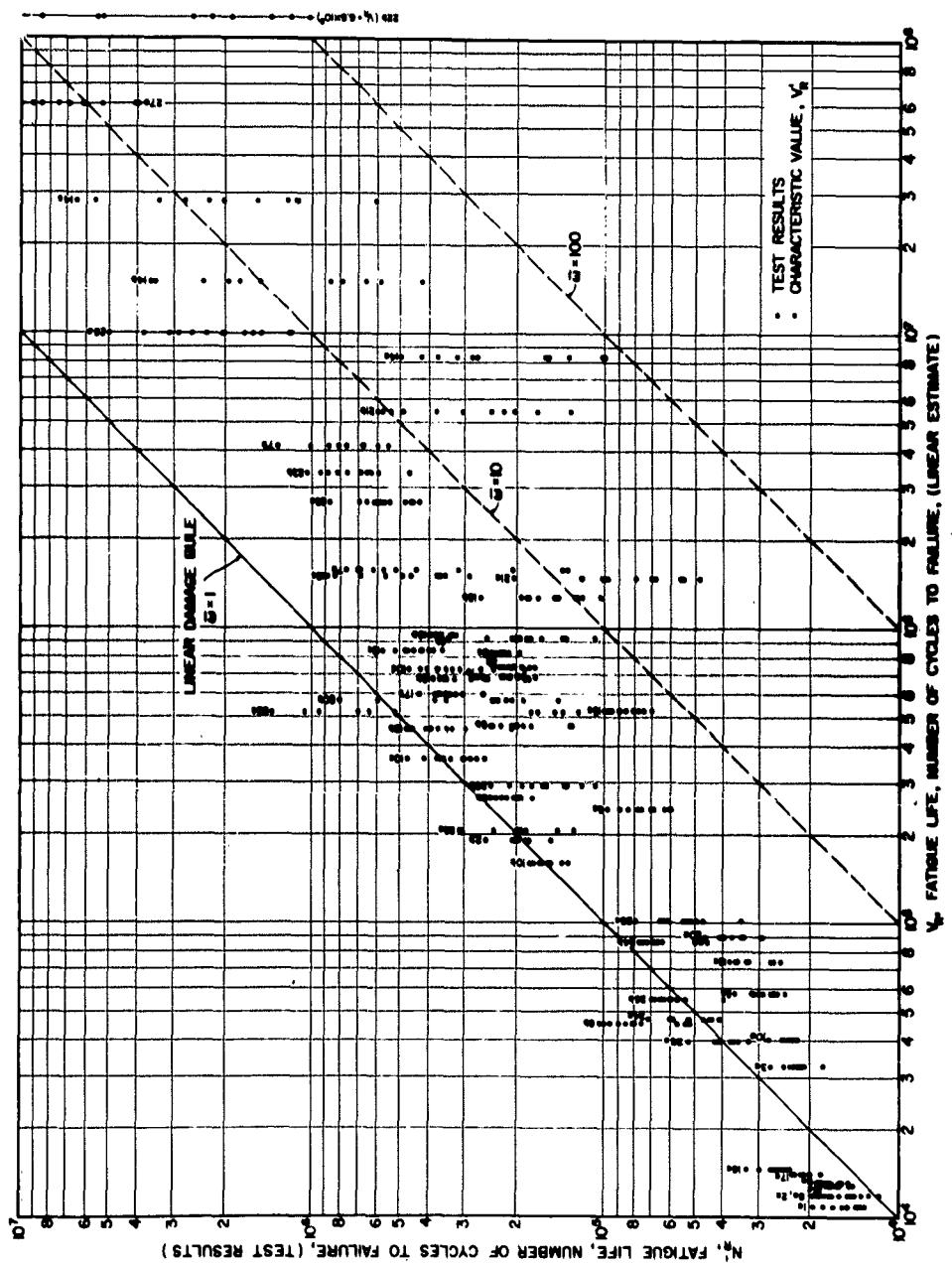


Fig. 16 Deviation of Random Fatigue Test Results  $N'_R$  from Linear Estimate  $V_R$

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